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ISOLATED STROMAL CELLS AND

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METHODS OF USING SAME

: (TJU-1857)

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicant in the above-identified application hereby petitions for a one-month extension of time to and including June 1, 1999 (May 30, 1999, being a Sunday and May 31, 1999, being Memorial Day), for responding to the Restriction Requirement mailed March 30, 1999. A response to the Restriction Requirement accompanies this Petition.

Please charge the extension fee of \$55.00 and any additional fees, or credit any overpayment, to the account of Panitch Schwarze Jacobs & Nadel, P.C., Deposit Account No. 16-0235. One additional copy of this document is enclosed for accounting purposes.

Respectfully submitted,

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